support seminars, workshops, training programmes, exhibitions, essay and p competitions, nature study tours, establishment of eco-clubs in schools and colleges, production and distribution of education material etc. *ln* th-sse endeavours, the Department is assisted by two of its institutions namely Centre for Environment Education Ahmedabad, and the National Museum of Natural History, New Delhi(and others.

Interpretation of NIT Award

1623. SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE:

SHRr M. A. BABY:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state the reasons for which his Ministry is not constituting National Industrial Tribunal for interpretation of the NIT Award No. NTB 1 of 1985 although failure report was received by the Ministry in November, 1986?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): The matter is under consideration.

Export of Tea to Iran

162.4. SHRI MOSTAFA BIN QUASEM:

DR. R. K. PODDAR-

SHRI M. A. BABY;

SHRI NIRMAL CHATTERJEE: .

Will the Minister of OOMMERCE be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the Tea Board overruled the objection of the Calcutta Customs by cleaving export of tea to Iran at a lower prices resulting i_n a loss of over Rs. 10 crores in foreign exchange to the country;

(b) if so the persons responsible therefor in the Board;

(c) what is Government's reaction J thereto; and

(d) whether any action is contem plated against the persons involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE j (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSH^: (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Supply of arms *o South Africa by NATO Allies

.. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AF-RS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are sware that the NATO allies including France ar_e sending arms to South Africa in violation of 1977 Internationa] Arms Embargo;

(b) whether the Indian, Government have made any protest to the NATO allies along with Switzerland in this regard; and

(c) if so, when the reaction Of the Inaian Government was despal< to those countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEi-RO): (a) Government are aware of such reports.

(b) and (c) Our opposition to such violations i_s well $know_n$ and has been reiterated from time to time in various international fora.

Indian National working in Lebanon

1626. SHRI V. NARAYANAS-AMY . Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Indian workers who are working in various fields in Lebanon are work-